**COMMENTS**

**Hard work pays off for farmer**

**By Cindy Brownney**

**Deer Creek Organics now selling to Whole Foods**

Jeff Franklin talks about organic farming at Deer Creek Organics in St. Anna.

A worker harvests Italian parsley at Deer Creek Organics in St. Anna.

**In a row**

Take the kale, for example. A welded-together structure—which they’ve dubbed the USK Kit—is perched behind a tractor: A little roof shields the produce from rain. The kit was picked by one of 20 workers, who rapidly swoop into the produce and deftly bundle them into a maddeningly tight bundle. The remaining naked stalks look like a better potato in the soil, with only the top leaves remaining. Each bundle bunched and labeled is tagged with a two-numbered tag, which can be used to trace the bunch from the field to store.

If you have any questions about the garden, feel free to come to 2001 W Court, Kankakee 815-937-3391. We have many seeds, handbooks, and other items that will help you get started.

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